

1 August 1975

Note for Ed

All hell is breaking out over the Percy release of the 175 million ton wheat figure. I talked to [redacted] There could be two sources of the leak:

a. Your conversation with Statler (Percy's staff assistant) when you called off the [redacted] session--did you use the 175 figure or indicate we were going down 10-15 million tons?

b. The Paul McEvoy, CEA-- White House (Seidman) channel.

By this we found out that Paul McEvoy sent Seidman a memo saying that CIA was going to reduce it's estimates 10-15 million tons. Doug tried to get the memo killed but he doesn't know whether or not he succeeded.

[redacted] is going over to see Assistant Secretary Bell this morning at 9:30. I told him that he could let Bell read the message [redacted] but not leave it with him and that he should stress the last paragraph.

[redacted] of course, would like to be able to eliminate the possibility of paragraph a.

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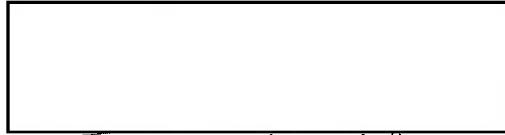
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Mr. Andrew Marshall
MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Net Assessment
Department of Defense

Andy --

Last month Mr. Colby asked OER to review the estimates of Soviet grain output for 1973. Because you have been interested in this topic, I am sending you a copy of OER's response.

Signed

Ed Proctor

Attachment:

[redacted]

18 Jan 1974

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Identical Blue Notes sent to:

Mr. William Hyland
Mr. William Morell

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OFFICE OF THE DD/I

7 December 1973

NOTE FOR THE DIRECTOR
FROM: Ed Proctor

This summer when we discussed Soviet grain output, you asked that a review be made of our estimates after the harvest was finished. The attached paper responds to this request.

- It is worth noting that:
- We made considerable progress by improving both our sources and methodology during the year.
 - The official Soviet announcement of 26 October fell within the range of our earlier estimate.

I have not made any dissemination of this paper awaiting any advice on this matter you may have.

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